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CONCERT AND DRAMATIC
ENTERTAINMENT

THE MEMBERS OF ST. JOSEPH'S SOCIAL and Literary Society intend holding a Concert and Dramatic Entertainment at Philharmonic Hall, Fort street, on Friday evening, February 15th.
Admission, 50c. Children, half price. f9td

MUNICIPAL.

ALL RESIDENTS IN THE CITY who have CELLARS beneath their houses are hereby respectfully requested to send a return to the City Surveyor, Mr. P. J. Leach, stating the POSITION and DEPTH thereof, at their earliest convenience to assist in determining the drainage-depth that will be necessary in each case.

By order
WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,
C. M. C.
City Hall, February 9th 1889. fe11

F. C. B.
Far West Lodge No. 1,
KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS,
WILL HOLD THEIR
ANNUAL GRAND BALL
—AT—
ASSEMBLY ROOMS, FORT ST.,
Tuesday Evening, Feb. 19, 1889

TICKETS, ADMITTING GENTLEMAN AND LADY, $2.00.

To be had only of the committee and members of the Lodge.

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J. B. JONES,
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THE ODD FELLOWS.

Meeting of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia—The Delegates Present.

The Report of Grand Master Davies—Steady Progress of the Order.

The fifteenth annual session of the Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows in the Province of British Columbia, convened in Odd Fellows Hall, in this city at 10 o'clock this (Wednesday) forenoon. Most of the delegates from the mainland arrived last night, and the Nanaimo brethren came down by train. Victoria being the headquarters of Oddfellowship in the province, and containing about one half of the active membership, the representation in the grand lodge is relatively large from this city. The following are the representatives of the several lodges in the jurisdiction:

Victoria Lodge, No. 1, Victoria.—W H Huxtable, T J Partridge, D Dale, T R Mitchell, W Templeman, W Steele, R McIntosh, W H Flewin, W E Holmes, J G Taylor, G Williams.

Columbia Lodge, No. 2, Victoria.—R W Fawcett, J H Meldram, G H Maynard, F Norris, J Pope, P W Demoster, A Henderson, W Croft, J Sears, R P McLennan.

New Westminster, No. 3, New Westminster—W McColl, J E Phillips, B W Sbiler, A McCorvie, R H Baker.

Dominion Lodge, No. 4, Victoria—J E Phillips, T Bamford, L Cousins, J Holland, P A Babington, W Walker.

Black Diamond Lodge, No. 5, Nanaimo—E Quesnel, J Crosgan, A McGregor, W H Morton, Geo Ramsay.

Harmony Lodge, No. 6, Wellington—R Scott, A Clarkson, R Kilpatrick G Williams, J Thompson, J Hoskin, B Shearing.

Excelsior Lodge, No. 7, Chilliwhack—J C Henderson, R Gunsbell.

Vancouver Lodge, No. 8, Vancouver—J B Henderson, T C Gray, W Beatrie, W Vivian.

Tatnai Lodge, No 9, Kamloops—W Edmunds, S C Clarke, Geo Loney.

After the opening ceremonies, Grand Master Davies read his report, a document of forty closely printed pages. It gave a detailed account of the business of the year, copies of the correspondence, decisions, etc. The report stated that the increase in membership during the year 1888, though not equal to that of the year preceding exceeded the increase of every other year since the institution of the order, and confidently predicted that the membership during 1889 would entitle the Grand Lodge to two representatives in the Sovereign Grand Lodge, the supreme authority of the order.

Among the decisions given by the Grand Master, the following is of public interest: "A candidate for initiation is not eligible for membership if he is living and cohabiting with a woman to whom he is not married."

The decision of Chief Justice Begbie in the case of Bone vs. Columbia Lodge, which, although in favor of the lodge, in some respects erroneously interpreted the law of the order, was reviewed by the Grand Master who concluded his judgment as follows: "The judgment of the Chief Justice will doubtless prevent, hereafter, litigation on the question of benefits, and members will probably recognize the principle that differences should be settled within the tribunals of the order, where everyone receives sympathy, liberality and justice, and will pause before invoking the law of the land where only the strict letter of the law must be accepted."

Reference was made to the work performed by the Grand Secretary, Mr. Frederick Davy, in the following words: "It has occurred to me during the preparation of my report, that however onerous the duties of the Grand Master may be, that they could in no way compare with the clerical and other duties that our Grand Secretary is called upon to perform, and I am convinced, that unless the emoluments of the office are commensurate with the labor to be performed, that we may too late awaken to the fact that we neglected to recompense sufficiently a valuable and trustworthy officer."

The report recommended a reduction in the number of representatives (now 57) as a smaller number could transact the business and at much less expense. An amendment to the constitution was suggested which would reduce the representatives to 33.

The progress of Odd Fellowship since 1874, when the Grand Lodge was instituted, was reported as follows:

Ending 31st Dec. each year.	No. of Lodges.	Membership.	Increase.	Decrease
1874	5	408		
1875	5	459	51	
1876	5	492	33	
1877	5	501	9	
1878	5	497		4
1879	5	506	13	
1880	5	416		10
1881	5	495		21
1882	5	493		2
1883	6	500	34	
1884	6	546	46	
1885	6	611	65	
1886	6	706	95	
1887	9	8 2	102	
1888	9	880	80	

REBEKAH LODGES.

1887	1	44 Brothers	28 Sisters

After the reading of the Grand Master's report, which occupied most of the morning session, the lodge adjourned until 2 p. m., when the report of Grand Secretary Davey was presented.

The election of officers will take place this evening.

SCHOOL TRUSTEE MEETING.

The Public School Amendment Act—Reports. Etc.

The regular meeting of the Board of School Trustees was held last evening in the police court room.

Present: Chairman Hayward, Trustees Wolfenden, Heisterman, Erskine and Morrison.

A communication from Capt Pope was read, which stated that the fire drill had been resumed in the schools and that the recommendations of the Board in regard to better fire protection as well as the appointment of monitors, would be attended to promptly. Received and filed.

A communication from J. N. Muir was read. Mr. Muir asked for a testimonial for services rendered as teacher in the Victoria High School during the term of eight year.

Trustee Heisterman did not think the Board could give Mr. Muir a testimonial.

Trustee Wolfenden considered that Mr. Muir was not deserving of a testimonial. The communication was received and filed.

REPORTS.

The following report was presented by the special committee appointed to wait upon the Hon. Minister of Education. The report is published in full. It explains itself:

To the Chairman of the Board of School Trustees for Victoria City:

Sir:—Your committee appointed to wait upon the Hon. Minister of Education, has the honor to report that they were cordially received by that gentleman on Saturday, the 2nd inst.

The following subjects were urged upon the Minister by your deputation, viz: (1.) The setting apart by the Government of a tract of public lands as an endowment for a Provincial University. (2.) The erection of a residence on the School reserve for the Janitor of the Central schools. (3.) The heating of these schools by hot water. (4.) The painting of the exterior of these buildings. (5.) The employment of monitors in the ward schools.

Your committee strongly urged upon the Minister the desirability of a tract of land being set apart for the purposes indicated, and informed him that a generous offer had been made of 15 acres of valuable land on the Work estate, provided the Government would undertake to erect a university on the land proposed to be granted.

The Minister, while fully recognizing the desirability of possessing a university, expressed doubts as to the policy of locking up lands for that purpose. He thought the true policy was to place all lands fit for agricultural purposes in the hands of those who would develop them and render them food and revenue producing. It would probably be better to sell the lands and give the proceeds, but for the present he considered the State would be fulfilling its duty in placing a free common school education within the reach of all. He would, however, bring the matter before his colleagues.

With regard to other matters brought before him, the Minister admitted their desirableness, and promised they would receive due consideration. The matter of the ward schools had been receiving the attention of the Department, and it would probably resolve itself into a question of adding to existing school-houses and employing monitors.

He pointed out that what was asked for would involve considerable expenditure, and he thought it was unfortunate that, while seeking such expenditures on the one hand, Victoria was, on the other hand, refusing to make the small contribution towards the expense of education provided for by the Legislature at its last session.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Signed.) CHAS. HAYWARD,
H. F. HEISTERMAN,
E. ERSKINE,
E. WOLFENDEN.

Trustee Heisterman also read the following letter, which he had received during the day:

OTTAWA: Feby. 5, 1889.

H. F. HEISTERMAN, ESQ.,

Dear Sir—I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 25th ult. re proposed University in Victoria. In reply I have the honor to say that I shall bring the matter before the Government, and will do my utmost to obtain a substantial grant in regard to the same.

I have the honor to be, sir,
Your obt'n. servant,
E. G. PRIOR.

Trustee Heisterman stated that the Trustees of the Work Estate would donate fifteen acres of land on Cook street and Hillside avenue for the purpose of a Provincial University, provided the buildings were erected thereon.

Trustee Erskine said he wished to introduce a resolution which he was sure would meet with the approval of the Board. The Department of Education has communicated with the Board of Aldermen regarding the payment of one-third of the salaries of teachers. The municipality of Victoria has not complied with the requirements of the Act. The cities of Vancouver and Nanaimo have he presumed paid their share.

Secretary Wolfenden—I am not sure about Nanaimo and New Westminster. I think they are waiting to see what Victoria will do in the matter.

Trustee Erskine said Victoria has not done her duty so far, and we cannot do more than to enter our protest against the course adopted by our board of aldermen. I will therefore move, seconded by Dr. Morrison, the following resolution: "Whereas the entire expense of maintaining the public schools of this city has been met most liberally during the past year by the government; and whereas, additional school accommodation is at present urgently needed; be it resolved, that this board express the hope that the city council will, at an early date, comply with the requirements of section 10 of the Public School Amendment Act, 1888.

Trustee Heisterman—The parents who have children at the Public or High Schools of this city are not the ones who have any objection to paying their share toward the education of their children. The expense of education in the province is now so great that, Mr. Robson informs me, the department have been obliged to curtail the expenditure by every means in their power. The city should bear its portion of the expense, and I do not see why it has not been done. The city of Victoria can well afford to pay its share. The Mayor, who is a member of this board, has refused to sit with us, and manifests no interest in that work.

I take an interest in our schools, and I think that the Mayor of our city, if a good one, should do his share in the interest of our public schools.

Trustee Wolfenden—I quite concur in all that has been said by Mr. Heisterman, and will have a resolution to introduce myself when the one before the chair has been disposed of.

The resolution was put and carried unanimously.

Trustee Wolfenden moved, seconded by Trustee Heisterman, that the Mayor of this city be respectfully requested to take his seat as chairman of this board.

The Chairman said he should be very glad to see the Mayor here. He had been repeatedly asked to come here and he has never come. I do not know but it would be *infra dig* on our part to request his presence here.

Trustee Erskine—The present Mayor has never been asked to come. We must presume that we are working now with a new council and a new Mayor.

The Chairman—It's the same John Grant anyway. He has been repeatedly asked to come, and has never come. He may, perhaps, as soon as this point is settled between the Council and the Government.

Trustee Erskine—There is a great deal of politics in it. There should not be.

Trustee Wolfenden—I believe the reason that Mr. Grant did not take his seat last year was a matter of politics. I do not think it would be *infra dig* for this Board to ask the Mayor to take his seat as chairman. If we could induce him to come, I think it would be in the interest of our schools, which we should further by every means in our power.

The resolution was carried.

On motion, a cupboard for books was ordered to be furnished at the Spring Ridge school.

Accounts for the month of January, amounting to $327 33, were read, and referred to the finance committee for payment, if correct.

The report for the month of January was read by the secretary, and showed the total number of pupils in attendance to be 1202; the daily average 1,079 75, and the average for each teacher, 53 32. This average attendance is the highest ever reached in the city of Victoria.

The Board then adjourned.

Does it Pay?

Three-fourths of our people are troubled with dyspepsia or liver complaint in some form or other, which by nature of the disease has a depressing influence on the mind or body, preventing them from thinking or acting clearly in any matter of importance. Indigestion, coming up of food after eating, dyspepsia, sick headache, acidity of the stomach or any derangement of the stomach or liver (upon which the whole action of our system depend) are speedily and effectually overcome by the use of Green's August Flower. The most stubborn cases have yielded to its influence, as thousands of letters received will testify. The immense sale of this medicine is another guarantee of its merits, (over a million and a half bottles sold last year.) So we ask, will it pay you to suffer from any of the above diseases when you can have immediate relief in the August Flower. Three doses will prove its worth. It is sold by all druggists and general dealers in all parts of the world.

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LABOUCHERE'S LETTER

Another Theory About the Death of Prince Rudolph—Hyde Park Meeting.

An American in London Uses His Revolver—A Husband Gets Damages.

New York, Feb 13—Labouchere's London *World* cable says: "We have not got to the bottom of the Meyerling tragedy. I do not believe in the authenticity of the letters which have appeared in the papers as coming from Archduke Rudolph and Baroness Marie Vizeri, stating their intention to live no longer. These letters seem to be to be of piece with all the orders of the Emperor, between the occurrence of the tragedy and the funeral of Rudolph, before there was time to concoct a good circumstantial account that would hold well together. Official people blurted out that Crown Prince Rudolph had been shot behind the ear in a diagonal direction and that the coronal plate of the skull had been carried by the bullet as it went out of the head. Nothing at all was said of Baroness Marie Vizier. We might fancy it was she who discharged the pistol if she had not been shot in the the back. Both were found dead on the same couch and there were flowers scattered upon the corpse of Marie. Does this not point to a woman's hand? To that of a maniac from jealousy and to supreme and feminine irony, in vengeance? The diagonal shot, upward, also points at somebody having been concealed in the room under the bed or table, or some other piece of furniture, and to creeping along stealthily until he or she got up to the sleeping pair, and to placing the muzzle of the pistol close to Rudolph's head and firing up at it. Marie would doubtless, on hearing the shot, have sought to have escaped, when she was knocked over by a pistol shot in the back. There were mutilations on both bodies which show an maniacal hatred. Baroness Vizera, the mother, I am told calls for justice. It is withheld to prevent worse scandal than that which has been stirring the world for the last fortnight. Letters announcing suicidal intent have, as it was pointed out by me, been overdone. Why, of all persons in the world, should Crown Prince Rudolph have written on the subject to the Duke of Braganza with whom he was but slightly acquainted and who lives at Lisbon like a *bon bourgeois*. If there was murder, the murderer or murderess must have known the *petite maison* of Meyerling with its dogs and domestics, so as to get in without being barked at or challenged. There were several watch dogs there and unchained. Why should Rudolph, with his great expectations, have taken a suicidal plunge with his inamorata at Vienna, where manners and morals are lax. It would have been thought a feather in Marie's cap to have made a conquest of him and to have been conquered in return. The hypothesis of double murder is everywhere accepted out of England.

MEETING IN HYDE PARK.

London, Feb. 12—Notwithstanding the fact that a heavy snowstorm prevailed here on Sunday, the demonstration announced to be held in Hyde Park to denounce the government's coercive measures in Ireland, and to express sympathy with William O'Brien, was successfully carried out. Thousands of citizens, chiefly from working men and radical clubs, attended the meeting, marching to the park through the storm, with bands and banners.

Speeches were delivered from twelve platforms. A resolution, which was put simultaneously at all the platforms, and carried amid great cheering, declared that the citizens of London condemn the brutal policy of coercion, protest against the government's uncivilized treatment of political prisoners, and demand the release of the Irish patriots, whose only crime is the exercise of the ordinary rights of free speech.

Socialists occupied one platform, which was decorated with red flags, and at which was displayed a banner with the inscription, "Remember Chicago." The speakers at this platform utilized the occasion to denounce land owners and capitalists.

Perfect order was maintained throughout the proceedings, and a host of policemen present had nothing to do except to regulate traffic.

THE FATTED CALF.

London, Feb. 12—The Canadian railway discussion continues. A letter to the *Times* which is attracting attention shows from an official return that the Canadian Pacific lines in Ontario, which are not an integral point of the main line, received $3,000,000 in subsidies. The Grand Trunk similar lines received $9,500,000. The letter asks for which company has the fatted calf been killed?

SAFE ROBBED.

Vallejo, Cal., Feb. 12—The safe in the store of James Schmalbes was blown up last night and robbed of its entire contents valued at $1000, $300 of which was cash, the balance being jewelry, etc.

INJURED HUSBAND GETS DAMAGES.

London, Feb. 13—In an action for divorce brought against Marie Temple, the actress, by her husband, Mr. Izard; H. W. Lester, proprietor of the Lyric Theatre, who was named a co-respondent and from whom damages were claimed, has been sentenced by the court to pay Mr. Izard £5,000.

NEW YORK FIRE.

New York, Feb. 13—A five story building on 606 and 607 West 56th street was burned. Loss to the occupants $100,000. Loss on building $10,000. The principal losers are, Loom's Manufacturing Co., silk ribbons; H. D. Lloix, dealer in silks; Schoff & Co., manufacturers of jerseys; Cheales & Baloon, manufacturers of sausage casings; Hiedodge & Co., pickles.

ON THE SHOOT.

London, Feb. 13—An American, giving the name of Luke Emerson, of Missouri, and his occupation as horse dealer, became involved in a brawl on Oxford street this morning with a party of street loungers. All were more or less intoxicated and Emerson finally drew a pistol and fired at his assailants, wounding two of them slightly. Emerson was arrested and will have a hearing before a magistrate to-day.

A HASTY DEPARTURE.

Carson, Nev., Feb. 13—Seven cases of smallpox were discovered last night in the Ormsby House, the leading hotel in the city. The discovery led to the hasty departure of nearly all the guests.

DENIES THE RUMOR.

Paris, Feb. 13—Gen. Boulanger says he is unacquainted with Mrs. F. Lucas of St. Louis, whom a St. Louis paper announced he was to marry as soon as he obtained a divorce. Mrs. Lucas, who is now in Paris, also denies the truth of the statement.

PLAYING FOR TIME.

London, Feb. 13—It is learned here that the postponement of the Samoan conference in Berlin until the middle of March sends a special commissioner from Washington is due to the fact that Bismarck wants to gain time, so that the Germans in Samoa can settle their scores.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

TELEGRAPHIC TICKS.

News of the World Condensed Into Pithy Paragraphs.

April 4th has been selected as the day on which to take a repeal vote on the Canada Temperance Act in St. Thomas and the counties of Colchester, N. S., Kent, Brant and Wellington, Ont.

Col. Prior presented a petition yesterday to incorporate A. DeCosmos, J. Stuart Yates, John Grant, Alex. Wilson, C E Redfern, A. A. Green and Hon J.H. Turner as the Victoria, Saanich & Westminster Railway Company.

The Australasian Colonies will not send delegates to the intercolonial conference at Ottawa.

R B. Moodie, western passenger agent of the Intercolonial Railway, is dead. Several applications are made for his position.

Moses Stark, master, and James Rigby, mate, of the schooner Clara, have been found guilty by the Supreme Court of Newfoundland of having caused the death of one of the crew named Charles Hockley, by ill treatment. Both were sentenced to five years imprisonment with hard labor.

LULU ISLAND.

Beautiful Crops and Eager Markets—New Cannery Contemplated.

Amongst the arrivals on Monday evening per steamer Princess Louise from the mainland, was Mr. E. A. Sharpe, who in one of the earliest settlers of Lulu Island. The total acreage of the island, Mr. Sharpe states, may be roughly estimated at 27,000 acres, and out of that at least 1,000 acres are at present under cultivation. Upwards of 250 acres of this area have been profitably worked by Mr. Sharpe, who realizes a good market for barley and oats in this city.

THE TOTAL POPULATION

Of the island is stated at some 250, including men, women and children, and the acreage taken up shows some 35 claims either owned by actual purchase or taken up by pre-emption. The principal market for the body of cereals raised is centered in this city. The cost of shipment from the island to this port is $1 50 per ton, and to Vancouver $2 00 per ton; but the preference for consignments is always given to this port. The steamers Rainbow and Robert Dunsmuir are the vehicles of conveyance from Lulu to the centre of traffic and exchange. In addition to cereals raised

ROOT CROPS

comprising sugar beets, mangold wurtzel, carrots, turnips and potatoes are successfully and profitably raised, but in this city there is little sale for the yield owing to the prolific soil of Saanich and nearer productive points on Vancouver Island. Mr. Sharpe is of opinion that New Westminster could by an energetic and competitive struggle become a formidable consumer as compared with this city and Vancouver, because the cost of shipment is only 50 cents per ton as against $1.50 and $2.

MAIL COMMUNICATION

is good. The TIMES reaches the subscribers six days during the week and it is ever a welcome vehicle of the latest news and exponent of public opinion, political and social. The season on the island has been unprecedently mild, and, to use the words of Mr. Sharpe, the plow has been going every month in the year. To-day (Wednesday) he intends to commence sowing timothy seed. The principal market for the hay grown on the island is Victoria.

NUPTIALS.

Mr. Wm. Herbert Steves was married last Wednesday to a lady from California. He has a holding of 300 acres of good land and is one of the most substantial settlers of the island.

A NEW FISHERY

is about to be established by a Montreal firm on Mr. Steves' property. The outlay involved is estimated at $60,000 and salmon will be the finny tribe to which the promoters will direct their attention.

SPORTING NOTES.

The Meyers-McAuliffe Prize Fight To-day.

North Judson, Ind., Feb. 13—7:30 a. m.—The Meyers-McAuliffe fight is now on. At the 15th round Meyers had decidedly the best of it.

8:15 a. m.—At the end of the 26th round the fight closed slightly in McAuliffe's favor. A constable stopped the fight. The referee, Mike McDonald, informed the constable that it was a friendly set-to.

9:30 a. m.—After a parley with the policemen the fight was resumed. At the end of the 42nd round Meyers' eyes were entirely closed but he was the fresher of the two and had decidedly the best of it.

10:30 a. m.—The fight was declared a draw at the end of the 64th round.

Mattersee has challenged Beach to row for £500 a side.

George Norvell and George Bubear, of England, are matched to row three miles on the Tyne, February 18, for £200 a side. Norvell receiving 10 seconds start.

Betting on the University boat race, between Oxford and Cambridge, which will be rowed in March, is now the topic of discussion among sporting men, and there is heavy speculation on the result.

The three-cornered mixed wrestling match which began on Monday night at Worcester, Mass, between Ross, Dufour and Graham, was finished yesterday, Dufour winning in the 25th bout, having secured 11 falls, Ross 8, Graham 6. The two unwrestled bouts remaining were conceded to Ross. The winner gets $450 and about $300 gate receipts.

Valentine's Day of Old.

We are so taken up with real estate and one thing and another that we have almost forgotten that to-morrow is the day of St. Valentine. In times gone by the girls and boys of old England and Scotland used to have a jolly time on St. Valentine's day. A learned traveler, named Misson, in the early part of the last century, thus described the custom: "An equal number of maids and bachelors get together, each writes their true or some feigned name on separate billets which they roll up and draw by way of lots, the maids taking the men's billets and the men the maids, so that each of the young men lights upon a girl that he calls his valentine, and each of the girls upon a young man that she calls hers. By this means each has two valentines, but the man sticks faster to the valentine to whom he is fallen. Fortune having thus divided the company into so many couples, the valentines give balls and treats to their mistresses, wear their billets several days upon their bosoms or sleeves, and this little sport often ends in love." They must have had lots of fun in those good old times.

Always Young.

Why is my wife so precious to my sight?
As it becomes her eyes are always bright,
And grace and modesty are in her air?
Neither, believe me, though she's very fair,
She says, and says it with an earnest diction:
"This growing old, I find, is all a fiction,
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TO THE TIMES ONLY.

A Deserted Husband Follows His Wife and Tries to Kill Her in St. Paul.

A Thief Caught—An Election Where Only the Returning Officer Attended.

(Special to THE TIMES.)

Winnipeg, Feb. 13—Nelson, a Canadian Pacific engineer, followed his runaway wife from Winnipeg to St. Paul and attempted to kill her and then himself. Both will recover.

Halifax, Feb. 13—Arthur Dexter and Melverne Cole, young men, were drowned in Liverpool through the upsetting of a canoe.

THE AMBITIOUS CITY.

Found Dead in Bed—Diocese of Hamilton, Etc.

(Special to THE TIMES.)

Hamilton, Feb. 13—Chas. Perkinson, aged 22, was found dead in his bed with his face buried in the pillows, he having taken a fit and been smothered.

Valence Fuller's estate will be wound up. The assets are $42,000, liabilities over $300,000.

Information from a reliable source is received that the appointment of His Lordship Bishop Dowling of Peterboro' to the Diocese of Hamilton has been ratified.

The Ontario cotton mills were put up at auction yesterday, and were sold for $150,000 to Edward Gurney, of Toronto. The proceeds of the sale will be given to the bondholders of the Ontario Cotton Mills company.

THE COMMERCIAL CAPITAL.

A Thief Arrested—Shipped with $1400 and Cheques.

(Special to THE TIMES.)

Montreal, Feb. 13—J. Bellabay, from Sault Ste. Marie, came to the city about a week ago with some thousand dollars worth of watches and other stolen jewelry which he sold at various establishments here a few days ago and was arrested.

John Barnes, an Englishman, aged 19, employed as clerk by Charles Russell, butcher, skipped with $1,400 in cash and seven cheques.

A sensation has been caused here by the discovery that the proprietors of the Windsor & Annapolis railway, of Nova Scotia, have secured, by misrepresentation to the Customs Department, a refund of $8,000 on importations of construction material to which they were not entitled. It is probable a prominent official of the service will lose his position by the affair.

NEW WESTMINSTER

Lack of Interest in Election Affairs at Maple Ridge, Etc.

(Special to THE TIMES.)

New Westminster, Feb. 13—At a meeting of the municipal council of Maple Ridge, held on Feby. 2nd, Council-men Hicks and Dockstader resigned, and the third election for the year was fixed for Monday last, when no one showed up but the returning officer.

A soiree in connection with the opening of the Presbyterian new church held last evening was a grand success. About 500 people assembled in the new edifice, when addresses were delivered by a number of clergymen from different parts of the Province. Music was furnished by the choir, who rendered sacred selections at intervals during the evening. After the intellectual portions of the programme were disposed of the assembly adjourned for supper in the old church.

HALIFAX SENSATIONS.

Plaintiff in a Slander Suit Disappears—Deserted by Her Solicitor.

Halifax, Feb. 11—Two years ago the wife of an American named Brown living in New Glasgow got a verdict of $2,500 against Mr. Fraser, town clerk, for slander. The case was appealed and is still pending at Ottawa. A few days ago a woman arrived in New Glasgow from the States and claimed to be the original Mrs. Brown. Since the stranger's advent Brown and the woman who brought the slander suit have left New Glasgow, leaving no trace behind them.

Miss Gertrude Smith, who eloped from Halifax last summer with Rev. Mr. Hutchison, is now living in England, having separated from her lover. Her father, it is said supports her but never sees her. Hutchinson is understood to be in the States yet.

The steamer Emerald from London, bound for Annapolis, to load apples, went ashore at Barrington Head yesterday and became a total loss. The crew were saved.

Regarding the increase of coal freights from Springhill to Montreal, it is stated on behalf of the I. C. R. management that the Intercolonial has been carrying coal to the Upper Provinces for some years at three-tenths of a cent per ton per mile. This was found to be considerably less than coal, and after due notice to the coal companies interested the rate was advanced on the 1st of February to four-tenths of a cent a ton per mile. The rate as advanced is less than that charged by the Grand Trunk on the same coal, as their rate is about six-tenths of a cent a ton per mile.

Occidental Hotel.

Mr. John Decker, the new proprietor of the Occidental hotel, Nanaimo, gave a formal opening last night. A number of friends were present and "mine host" dispensed good cheer in his well-known hospitable way. The health of the new proprietor was proposed in a neat speech by Mr. Richardson, to which Mr. Decker made a happy reply. During the evening there was some excellent music by Profs. Pfordner, Agins and others and a most enjoyable evening was had. The genial proprietor has the best wishes of a host of friends, for his success in the new business.

Man With the Iron Jaw.

The Nanaimo *Free Press* gives the following description of Mr. Coleman's exhibition at the recent performance at Nanaimo: "Mr. Coleman, who is rightly named the man of the "iron jaw" and Bessemer steel nerve, gave an exhibition of his phenomenal powers of mastication, and it was amusing to notice the apparent ease with which he bit nails and glass into small pieces. He also showed the massive strength of his "jaw" by the celerity with which he moved about chairs, tables and a beer barrel. He would make a good book agent, for he could "jaw" an ordinary person into buying Robert Elsmere."

A Find of Opium.

Customs Inspector Foor, of Seattle, was informed on Monday morning that a lot of opium had been found in the vicinity of Salmon Bay.

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OUR MEMBERS AT OTTAWA.

Among the several committees at Ottawa appointed for the session, it is observed that the representatives for British Columbia show up in several places. Senator REID will receive his first introduction to the senatorial duties on the committees on Printing and Banking and Commerce. Our gallant Senator MACDONALD appears on the "select committee on divorce." As several spicy cases will come before this committee during the session the gentlemen of the committee will not have cause to complain of a lack of diversion. The emulation among the Senators for a place on this committee is understood to have been more marked than in other cases. SENATOR MCDONALD also appears on the Standing Orders and Private Bills, Contingent Accounts and Restaurant Committees. SENATOR MCINNES of New Westminster is on Contingent Accounts and Standing Orders and Private Bills.

In the committees of the House of Commons Mr. PRIOR appears on the Select Committees on Privileges and Elections, Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines; Mr. GORDON on Standing Orders, Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines; Agriculture and Colonization. Mr. MARA on Railways, Canals and Telegraph Lines, Banking and Commerce and Agriculture and Colonization. Mr. Barnard on Miscellaneous Private Bills, and Banking and Commerce. Mr. Chisholm on Miscellaneous Private Bills and Agricultural and Colonization.

FORMATION OF COMMITTEES.

Our morning contemporary, the chief touter for the government, snarls at our attempt to expose the shameless action of the government in changing the personnel of the committee appointed to enquire into the expenditure of the money voted for reduction works at Cariboo. Our contemporary starts out by saying that Mr. MASON knows too much for the opposition to effect its object. This may be so, but first let us know what object the mover of the resolution, Mr. BEAVEN, had in asking for the investigation. The only object to be reached was to ascertain if the money voted had been expended in the best way possible in the public interest. Now, to attain that object our contemporary wants the public to believe that the committee must be composed of the very men who controlled the expenditure. If he is correct, why not put the three representatives from Cariboo, with the Minister of Finance and the Provincial Secretary on the committee. Let them form a court to say whether they use the public funds honestly or not. This would make certain the object of the Government and its plastic organ, which is to obtain by hook or crook a verdict for the Government, no matter how much the interests of the people suffer, and no matter how much the principles of justice are outraged. This kind of thing suits the Government and what suits it suits its paid organs. It may even suit the representatives blindly supporting the Government, but we venture to say it does not and will not suit the electors of British Columbia.

THAT LEGISLATURE OF OURS.

Every voter and taxpayer should if possible attend the meetings of the legislature and see for himself the farce that is being enacted under the misnomer of responsible government. There are twenty-seven members in that assembly. One is the speaker or presiding officer. Five are members of the executive government and the other twenty-one are members in theory met to enquire into the management of the people's affairs. But with the exception of the small band of popular representatives, known as the opposition members, only a very few of the remaining fourteen appear to take any interest in anything. It is true that Mr. HIGGINS has introduced several bills this session but as usual the government will probably slaughter them. On Monday Mr. SEMLIN moved for information in regard to schools in the interior. He was met by the Provincial Secretary with all sorts of lame excuses to obstruct enquiry, and was backed up by Mr. MARTIN. Mr. HUMPHREYS had a resolution calling for correspondence about a matter in Comox. The Provincial Secretary very blandly stated there was no correspondence in the department upon the subject. We do not know anything about this particular subject, but ministers have inaugurated the not unusual method of conducting public business by means of private communications, so that the answer of "no correspondence" has become stereotyped when the facts require to be suppressed. Sometimes the method is varied by offering no objection to the resolution and then taking care that so much delay takes place in bringing down the papers that the session terminates without the necessary action, or the papers are not produced, or if produced smothered in the printing committee and lost sight of. The fact is, the present government, backed up by a majority in the legislature, have reduced to a science the methods of how not to produce information when asked for it. Mr. BEAVEN gave notice of a question as to the working of the Land Act, and was met by an evasive answer from the Chief Commissioner, and rapturous applause from NED ALLEN, and when endeavoring to point out to members that a gross breach of privilege was being perpetrated was called to order by Mr. SPEAKER POOLEY. We sincerely wish that a competent shorthand reporter could be employed to take verbatim reports, for it is impossible for an ordinary longhand reporter to take down a verbatim report of one-tenth of what occurs. The people should rise in their might and demand from the Governor a dissolution of the present Assembly. The public departments are full of clerks—in fact they almost tumble over each other—yet the opposition cannot get information upon matters of vital importance, and the whole efforts of ministers appear to be confined to getting members to whitewash them or help burk enquiry.

THE SCHOOL BOARD.

The School Board at the meeting last night passed a resolution requesting Mayor Grant to attend the meetings of the Board in future as presiding officer, in accordance with the provisions of the law as amended last session of the Legislature. It will be remembered that the Council unanimously repudiated the sectional school tax imposed upon the city by the Government, and refused to pay the sum demanded. At the same time the Mayor was requested not to avail himself of the "privilege" of a seat at the Board, as he might thereby commit the Corporation to the payment of the tax, or at least give some ground for the opinion that the city was a consenting party to the obnoxious law. The School Board bungled before and gave the government the excuse it was looking for to impose an additional burden upon the city. It is bungling again when it meddles with a question that, apparently, it does not fully comprehend. Mr. WOLFENDEN, a political Government official, thinks politics have something to do with the absence of the Mayor. Undoubtedly it has, for the principal of taxation, and the right to impose and resist differential laws, come within the political arena, although not precisely in the way that Mr. WOLFENDEN's belief in the good intentions of the Government, and in the justice and equity of their enactments, may be traced to the political affinity that must subsist between himself and the Minister of Education. The Board does not represent the views of the ratepayers on this question.

BERESFORD AND BISMARCK.

Lord Charles Beresford, during his recent visit to Berlin, held several conferences with Bismarck upon England's state of preparation for war against the combined naval forces of France and Russia. Bismarck, it is reported, recommended a defensive alliance between Germany and England as guaranteeing the peace of Europe, and he further advised Beresford to urge upon his Government the necessity of England "putting her house in order." Bismarck has no confidence in the Boulanger clique. He and Beresford both coincide in the belief that the rise of Boulanger means war. France in her political revolutions invariably turns on her bayonets, and out of the chaos of her republicanism she manifests an inherent tendency to resume her monarchical condition. But the man who would assume the imperial purple in France must first earn it, and there is no way he can recommend himself better than by the successful consummation of a warlike exploit. It is safe to say that the man who combats England successfully may reasonably aspire to the throne of France. The French would apotheosize him and hand him their liberties. Bismarck appreciates the situation, and tells England to "get her house ready." Is war on the tapis? We have adverted to Beresford's opinion of the British navy, and yesterday we quoted the remark of a British admiral on the inadequacy of the motive power of war ships. It is not that the modern battle ship cannot stand the impact of cannon balls; it is a question of fuel for steaming purposes. Under steam the quantity of coal consumed by these monster ships is something enormous, and it has been discovered that re-coaling at sea is wholly conditional on the state of the weather. It is tolerably certain, if reports can be trusted, that in the event of war between two naval powers the heaviest ships will be relegated to harbor defence, and that naval battles will be fought under conditions not essentially dissimilar to one hundred years ago. In such a case, allowing that Boulanger and his confederates will undertake to cement their power with blood, we may look for stirring times and a dispersion of water carriage which will materially alter commercial relations throughout the world.

A LESSON FOR CANADA.

It is only a short time since Peru and Bolivia united their forces against Chili, for the purpose of crushing the little Republic. But in the war that followed Peru was almost annihilated, and her most valuable territory taken possession of by the enemy. Freed from outside aggression the Chilians are now about undertaking vigorous measures for the development of their own country. Railway men have been engaged in the States and Canada to build a line 2,500 miles in length from the coast cities to the silver mines in the interior. Referring to this fact the Toronto Telegram truly say: "The fact that Chili, with a population only exceeding that of Ontario by about 25 per cent. and with a total area less than that of British Columbia, is prepared to enter upon such an enormous work almost immediately after a life and death struggle for existence, proves that the people of one of the smallest southern Republics are possessed of rare vigor and enterprise."

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Should the report in our last evening's dispatches respecting the statement of Major Lecaron before the Parnell Commission, to the effect that he was in the employ of the Imperial and Canadian Governments as a spy, turn out to be true, we may expect to see the Canadian Premier and his colleagues hunt for shelter.

A member of the Kansas Legislature introduced a bill forbidding the teaching of "British free trade" in the State University, but it excited so much ridicule that he withdrew it and explained that it was only meant for a joke. Legislators should be of a more serious turn of mind. A great deal of subtle humor is misunderstood.

The proposed legislation to make trap shooting illegal is commendable and should pass. There is no sport in it—it is sheer brutality and wanton killing. Any practice needed to gain dexterity with the gun can be had just as well with glass balls or clay pigeons, and there is not the slightest need to torture the poor birds.

It is said that the finest railway station in the world is the Victoria building, the terminal station of the Peninsular Railway, at Bombay, India. It was finished last May, was ten years in building, and cost nearly $19,060,008. The principal elevation is over 1,500 feet long; the style is Venetian Gothic, with Oriental modifications, and the principal feature is a large central octagonal dome of solid, cut masonry, which is crowned by a colossal figure of Progress.

The demolition of the village of Llanwddyn, the site of which is to be occupied by Lake Vyrnwy, has been completed. Most of the buildings, including the parish church, have been blown up by dynamite. Upwards of one hundred human skulls and remains have been removed and re-interred in the new burial grounds. Some fine old yew trees in the churchyard have also been uprooted and removed. Lord Powis having granted leases to most of the householders before selling the land to the Liverpool corporation, they have received compensation for disturbance. There no inn in the neighborhood, but an hotel is being built by the corporation.

The Kansas City idea of a poll-tax seems to be an improvement over the prevalent idea, which contemplates fining the citizen for the privilege of voting. Kansas City improves this by proposing to fine citizens for not voting. That is, a poll-tax of $2.50 is to be assessed against all citizens, but the obligation may be discharged by voting. On a failure so to vote then the poll-tax shall be collected in money, for the benefit of the school fund. By this means it is believed that the 4,000 citizens who neglected to exercise their franchise at the last election will be constrained to do their duty. The experiment will be watched by other cities with interest.

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—Cultivation is as necessary to the mind as food to the body.

—The British Columbia *Monthly and Mining Review* will be sold at M. W. Waitt & Co.'s book store, and J. J. Daley & Co.'s, Government street. *

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—The British Columbia Paper Box Factory are prepared to turn out any quantity or variety of paper boxes. Leave your orders at No. 13 Humboldt Street, Victoria, B. C. *

—You cannot expect a man to tell which way the wind is simply because he is a little vane.

—Directory of British Columbia.—Waitt and see the edition shortly to be published by R. T. Williams, containing 125 various and separate directories with descriptions of each place before purchasing a copy published elsewhere. *

—The judges of the supreme court of Pennsylvania are to wear gowns. Brief skirts, of course.

—Ill-fitting boots and shoes cause corns. Holloway's Corn Cure is the article to use. Get a bottle at once and cure your corns. *

—"Is Miss Manual a good player?" "Divine! She never plays when anybody is within earshot."

—If your children are troubled with worms, give them Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator. Safe, sure and effectual. Try it, and mark the improvement in your child. *

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CHAPTER XI.

COUNSEL FOR THE PRISONER.

Brian Fitzgerald was arrested a few minutes past 3 o'clock, and by 5 all Melbourne was ringing with the news that the perpetrator of the now famous hansom cab murder had been caught. The evening papers were full of the affair, and The Herald went through several editions, the demand being far in the excess of the supply. Such a crime had not been committed in Melbourne since the Greer shooting case in the opera house, and the mystery which surrounded it made it even more sensational. The committal of the crime in such an extraordinary place as a hansom cab had been startling enough, but the discovery that the assassin was one of the most fashionable young men in Melbourne was still more so. Brian Fitzgerald being well known in society as a wealthy squatter, and the future husband of one of the richest and prettiest girls in Victoria, it was no wonder that his arrest caused quite a sensation. The Herald, which was fortunate enough to obtain the earliest information about the arrest, made the best use of it, and published a flaming article in most sensational type, somewhat after this fashion:

HANSOM CAB TRAGEDY.

ARREST OF THE SUPPOSED MURDERER.

Startling Revelations in High Life.

It is needless to say that some of the reporters had painted the lily pretty freely, but the public believed everything that came out in the papers to be gospel truth.

Mr. Prettiby, the day after Brian's arrest, had a long conversation with his daughter, and wanted her to go up to Yabba Yallock Station until the public excitement had somewhat subsided. But this Madge flatly refused to do.

"I'm not going to desert him when he most needs me," she said, resolutely; "everybody has turned against him, even before they have heard the facts of the case. He says he is not guilty, and I believe him."

"Then let him prove his innocence," said her father, who was pacing slowly up and down the room; "if he did not get into the cab with Whyte he must have been somewhere else, so he ought to set up the defence of an alibi."

"He can easily do that," said Madge, with a ray of hope lighting up her sad face; "he was here till 11 o'clock on Thursday night."

"Very probably," returned her father drily; "but where was he at 1 o'clock on Friday morning?"

"Besides, Mr. Whyte left the house long before Brian did," she went on rapidly. "You must remember—it was when you quarreled with Mr. Whyte."

"My dear Madge," said Mr. Prettiby, stopping in front of her with a displeased look, "you are incorrect—Whyte and myself did not quarrel. He asked me if it were true that Fitzgerald was engaged to you, and I answered yes. That was all, and then he left the house."

"Yes, and Brian didn't go until two hours after," said Madge, triumphantly. "He never saw Mr. Whyte the whole night."

"So he says," replied Mr. Prettiby, significantly.

"I believe Brian before any one else in the world," said his daughter, hotly, with flushed cheeks and flashing eyes.

"Ah! but will a jury?" queried her father.

"You have turned against him too," answered Madge, her eyes filling with tears. "You believe him guilty."

"I am not prepared either to deny or affirm his guilt," said Mr. Prettiby, coldly. "I have done what I could to help him—I have engaged Calton to defend him, and if eloquence and skill can save him, you may set your mind at rest."

"My dear father," said Madge, throwing her arms around his neck, "I knew you would not desert him altogether, for my sake."

"My darling," replied her father in a faltering voice, as he kissed her, "there is nothing in the world I would not do for your sake."

Meanwhile Brian was sitting in his cell in the Melbourne jail, thinking sadly enough about his position. He saw no hope of escape except one, and that he did not intend to take advantage of.

"It would kill her; it would kill her," he said feverishly, as he paced to and fro over the echoing stones. "Better that the last of the Fitzgeralds should perish like a common thief than that she should know the bitter truth. If I engage a lawyer to defend me," he went on, "the first question he will ask me will be where was I on that night, and if I tell him all will be discovered, and then—no—no—I cannot do it; it would kill her, my darling," and throwing himself down on the bed, he covered his face with his hands.

He was roused by the opening of the door of his cell, and on looking up saw that it was Calton who entered. He was a great friend of Fitzgerald's, and Brian was deeply touched by his kindness in coming to see him. Duncan Calton had a kindly heart, and was anxious to help Brian, but there was also a touch of self interest in the matter. He had received a note from Mr Prettiby, asking him to defend Fitzgerald, which he agreed to with avidity, as he foresaw in this case an opportunity for his name becoming known throughout the Australian colonies. It is true that he was already a celebrated lawyer, but his reputation was purely a local one, and as he foresaw that Fitzgerald's trial for murder would cause a great sensation throughout Australia and New Zealand, therefore determined to take advantage of it as another step in the ladder which led to fame, wealth and position. So this tall, keen eyed man, with the clean shaven face and expressive mouth, advanced into the cell, and took Brian by the hand.

"It is very kind of you to come and see me," said Fitzgerald; "it is at a time like this that one appreciates friendship."

"Yes, of course," answered the lawyer, fixing his keen eyes on the other's haggard face as if he would read his uttermost thoughts. "I came partly on my own account and partly because Prettiby asked to see you as to your defence."

"Mr. Prettiby!" said Brian, in a mechanical way. "He is very kind; I thought he believed my guilty."

"No man is considered guilty until he has been proved so," answered Calton, evasively.

Brian noticed how guarded the answer was, for he heaved an impatient sigh.

"And Miss Prettiby?" he asked, in a hesitating manner. This time he got a decided answer.

"She declines to believe you guilty, and will not hear a word said against you."

"God bless her!" said Brian, fervently; "she is a true woman. I suppose I am pretty well canvassed?" he added, bitterly.

"Nothing else talked about," answered Calton, calmly. "Your arrest has, for the present, suspended all interest in theatres, cricket matches and balls, and you are at the present moment being discussed threadbare in clubs and drawing rooms."

Fitzgerald writhed. He was a singularly proud man, and there was something inexpressibly galling in this unpleasant publicity.

"But this is all idle chatter," said Calton, taking a seat. "We must get to business. Of course you will accept me as your counsel."

"It is no good my doing so," replied Brian, gloomily. "The rope is already round my neck."

"Nonsense," replied the lawyer, cheerfully; "the rope is round no man's neck until he is on the scaffold. Now, you need not say a word," he went on, holding up his hand as Brian was about to speak; "I am going to defend you in this case whether you like it or not. I do not know all the facts, except what the papers have stated, and they exaggerate so much that one can place no reliance on them. At all events, I believe from my heart that you are innocent, and you must walk out of the prisoner's dock a free man, if only for the sake of that noble girl who loves you."

Brian did not answer, but put out his hand, which the other grasped warmly.

"I will not deny," went on Calton, "that there is a little bit of professional curiosity about me. This case is such an extraordinary one that I feel as if I were unable to let slip an opportunity of doing something with it. I don't care for gang handsome murders with the poker, and all that sort of thing, but this is something clever, and therefore interesting. When you are safe we will together look for the real criminal, and the pleasure of the search will be proportionate to the scrutiny men we find him out."

"I agree with everything you say," said Brian, with a faint smile, "but I have no defence to make."

"No defence! You are not going to confess you killed him?"

"No," with an angry flush, "but there are certain circumstances which prevent me from defending myself."

"What nonsense," retorted Calton, sharply; "as if any circumstance should prevent a man from saving his own life. But never mind, I like these objections, they make the nut harder to crack—but the kernel must be worth getting at. Now, you have to answer me certain questions."

"I won't promise."

"Well, we shall see," said the lawyer, cheerfully, taking out his note book and resting it on his knee. "First, where were you on the Thursday preceding the murder?"

"I can't tell you."

"Oh, yes, you can, my friend. You left St. Kilda, and came up to town by the 11 o'clock train."

"Eleven twenty," corrected Brian.

Calton smiled in a gratified manner as he noted this down.

"A little diplomacy is all that's required," he said, mentally. "And where did you go then?" he added, aloud.

"I met Rolleston in the train, and we took a cab from the Flinders street station up to the club."

"What club?"

"The Melbourne club."

"Yes?" interrogatively.

"Rolleston went home, and I went into the club and played cards for a time."

"When did you leave the club?"

"A few minutes to 1 o'clock in the morning."

"And then, I suppose, you went home?"

"No; I did not."

"Then where did you go?"

"Down the street."

"Rather vague. I presume you mean Collins street?"

"Yes."

"You were going to meet some one, I suppose?"

"I never said so."

"Probably not; but young men don't wander about the streets at night without some object."

"I was restless, and wanted a walk."

"Indeed! How curious you should prefer going into the heart of the dusty town for a walk to strolling through the Fitzroy gardens, which were on your way home! It won't do, you had an appointment to meet some one."

"Well—er—yes."

"I thought as much. Man or woman?"

"I cannot tell you."

"Then I must find out for myself."

"You can't."

"Indeed! Why not?"

"You don't know where to look for her."

"Her," cried Calton, delighted at the success of his craftily put question. "I knew it was a woman."

Brian did not answer, but set biting his lips with vexation.

"Now, who is the woman?"

No answer.

"Come now, Fitzgerald, I know that young men will be young men, and of course you don't want these things talked about; but in this case your character must be sacrificed to save your neck. What is her name?"

"I can't tell you."

"Oh! you know it, then?"

"Well, yes."

"And you won't tell me?"

"No!"

Calton, however, had found out two things that pleased him; first, that Fitzgerald had an appointment, and, second, it was with a woman. He went on another line.

"When did you last see Whyte?"

Brian answered with great reluctance, "I saw him drunk by the Scotch church."

"What! you were the man who hailed the hansom?"

"Yes," assented the other, hesitating slightly, "I was!"

The thought flashed through Calton's brain as to whether the young man before him was guilty or not, and he was obliged to confess things looked very black against him.

"Then what the newspapers said was correct?"

"Partly."

"Ah!" Calton drew a long breath—here was a ray of hope.

"You did not know it was Whyte when you found him lying drunk near the Scotch church?"

"No, I did not. Had I known it was he I would not have picked him up."

"Of course you recognized him afterwards?"

"Yes, I did. And, as the paper stated, dropped him and walked away."

"Why did you leave him so abruptly?"

Brian looked at his questioner in some surprise.

"Because I detested him," he said, shortly.

"Why did you detest him?"

No answer.

"Was it because he had admired Miss Prettiby, and, from all appearances, was going to marry her?"

"Well, yes," sullenly.

"And now," said Calton, impressively, "this is the whole point upon which the case turns—Why did you get into the cab with him?"

"I did not go into the cab."

"The cabman declares that you did."

"He is wrong. I never came back after I recognized Whyte."

"Then who was the man who got into the cab with Whyte?"

"I don't know."

"You have no idea?"

"Not the least."

"You are certain?"

"Yes, perfectly certain."

"He seems to have been dressed exactly like you."

"Very probably. I could name at least a dozen of my acquaintances who wear light coats over their evening dress, and soft hats."

"Do you know if Whyte had any enemies?"

"No, I don't. I know nothing about him, beyond that he came from England a short time ago with a letter of introduction to Mr. Prettiby, and had the impertinence to ask Madge to marry him."

"Where did Whyte live?"

"Down in St. Kilda, at the end of Grey street."

"How do you know?"

"It was in the papers, and—and—" hesitatingly, "I called on him."

"Why?"

"To see if he would drop asking Madge to marry him, and to tell him that she was engaged to me."

"And what did he say?"

"Laughed at me. Curse him."

"You had high words, evidently?"

Brian laughed bitterly.

"Yes, we had."

"Did anly one hear you?"

"The landlady did, I think. I saw her in the passage as I left the house."

"The prosecution will bring her forward as a witness."

"Very likely," indifferently.

"Did you say anything likely to criminate yourself?"

Fitzgerald turned away his head.

"Yes," he answered in a low voice, "I spoke very wildly—indeed, I did not know at the time what I said."

"Did you threaten him?"

"Yes, I did. I told him that I would kill him if he persisted in his plan of marrying Madge."

"Ah! if the landlady can swear that she heard you say so, it will form a strong piece of evidence against you. As far as I can see, there is only one defence, and that is an easy one—you must prove an alibi."

No answer.

"You say you did not come back and get into the cab?" said Calton, watching the face of the other closely.

"No; it was some one else dressed like me."

"And you have no idea who it was?"

"No, I have not."

"Then after you left Whyte and walked along Russell street, where did you go?"

"I can't tell you."

"Were you intoxicated?"

"No!" indignantly.

"Then you remember?"

"Yes."

"And where were you?"

"I can't tell you."

"You refuse?"

"Yes, I do."

"Take time to consider. You may have to pay a heavy price for your refusal."

"If necessary, I will pay it."

"And you won't tell me where you were?"

"No, I won't."

Calton was beginning to feel annoyed.

"You're very foolish," he said, "sacrificing your life to some feeling of false modesty. You must prove an alibi."

"Perhaps so," wearily.

"Why, man, you may be hung for this!"

"Better so than—"

"Than what?"

"Nothing."

"Than what, I say?"

"Than—than—she should know the truth."

"Pshaw! she must know it if you are hung."

"Hung!" with a shudder.

"Yes, hung, if you don't take my advice. Tell me the truth, and I'll see what I can do."

"I cannot."

"Then you must take the consequences."

Calton rose from his seat, and, leaning against the table, looked at the prisoner with a vague feeling of pity in his keen, hard heart. Fitzgerald was a popular fellow with his equals and his inferiors, and Calton had heard many people speak of his generosity and his courage. He was a splendid specimen of a young Australian, and his chances of life were very slim indeed. Calton, with his ready imagination, pictured the young man's mother and sisters, and the girl he loved, and his heart softened to the prisoner. He saw that Fitzgerald was fully aware of the danger he was in, and that he was willing to face it rather than reveal the secret which he thought would part him from his sweetheart. Calton admired the young man for his courage in this matter, but he thought that he was carrying his quixotic notions of honor too far, and that Madge would be better off even with a disgraced husband than with a dead lover. He himself would not be the first lawyer who had married a client, and he was certain that Madge would be easily persuaded to do so. He knew that she was very fond of her lover, and that she would do anything to save him from the penalty of his crime. Calton was a bachelor himself, but he was a man of the world, and he knew that women were often very foolish where their sweethearts were concerned. He thought that Madge would be quite capable of sacrificing herself in order to save her lover, and he was prepared to bet that she would do so if she knew that her lover was guilty of the murder of Mr. Whyte. He himself was inclined to think that Fitzgerald was guilty, but he was a lawyer, and his business was to defend his client, guilty or not guilty, and he was a man who never allowed his feelings to interfere with his duty. He was a cold-blooded, calculating man, and his friends said that he had no heart. He was a bachelor, and had never been in love himself, and he was fond of saying that he was too much of a student of human nature to allow himself to be fettered by such a passion as that which was ruining Fitzgerald's prospects. He was a clever lawyer, and had already made his mark in his profession, and was considered by his brother barristers as a man who would go very far indeed if he did not take care. He was ambitious, and was willing to sacrifice everything to his ambition. He was a cold, hard, calculating man, with a clear head and a cool heart, and he was the man who was most likely to succeed in life. He was not a pleasant man to meet, for he had a cynical tongue, and was given to sneering at the follies of his fellow-creatures, but he was a man who was sure to be talked about, and who was bound to succeed in his profession.

Such was the man who now stood up to defend Brian Fitzgerald on his trial for the murder of Mr. Whyte. He was well aware of the young man's danger, and was willing to do his best to save him, for the sake of the honor of his profession. He was a skeptic in regard to the guilt of his client, and was inclined to think that Fitzgerald was shielding some other person, but he was a lawyer, and not a judge or a jury, and it was not his business to think, but to act. He was willing to risk his reputation on the chance of Brian being innocent, for he was a man who was fond of taking risks, and he was willing to take this one because he was interested in the case, and because it was in his nature to be willing to do anything to win a point. He was a gambler, and he was playing a game now with life and death for the stakes. He was a skeptic, as he sat in the cell, and he was a skeptic when he left it, but he was a man who was fond of proving himself in the right, and he was determined to prove his opinion in this case. He was a bachelor, and had no ties to bind him to his fellow-creatures, and he was fond of saying that he was ready to sacrifice his life for the sake of a friend. He was a man who had few friends, but he was a man who had many acquaintances, and who was known by reputation to a large number of people who had never seen him. He was a man who had many enemies, and who was feared by his adversaries on account of his cynical tongue and his sneering disposition. He was a man who had been a great traveller, and who was known to have spent his fortune in his wanderings, and who had returned to his native city to make a fresh one by his profession. He was a man who had been a great student in his time, and who was known to be a profound lawyer. He was a man who had been a great athlete in his time, and who was still known to be a splendid specimen of manhood. He was a man who had been a great lover in his time, and who was still suspected to be a man who was capable of the strongest love of which a man's nature is capable. He was a man who had been a great sinner in his time, and who was still suspected to be a man who was capable of the deepest sin of which a man's nature is capable. He was a man who had been a great gambler in his time, and who was still suspected to be a man who was capable of staking his all on the chance of a card. He was a man who had been a great traveller in his time, and who was still suspected to be a man who was capable of traveling over the face of the earth to win a game. He was a man who had been a great student in his time, and who was still suspected to be a man who was capable of studying the secrets of nature to win a game. He was a man who had been a great athlete in his time, and who was still suspected to be a man who was capable of using his strength to win a game. He was a man who had been a great lover in his time, and who was still suspected to be a man who was capable of using his love to win a game. He was a man who had been a great sinner in his time, and who was still suspected to be a man who was capable of using his sin to win a game. He was a man who had been a great gambler in his time, and who was still suspected to be a man who was capable of using his gambling to win a game. He was a man who had been a great traveller in his time, and who was still suspected to be a man who was capable of using his travels to win a game. He was a man who had been a great student in his time, and who was still suspected to be a man who was capable of using his study to win a game. He was a man who had been a great athlete in his time, and who was still suspected to be a man who was capable of using his athletics

Passengers Arriving

Per steamer Islander from Vancouver—Mrs Stevens, C G Stevens, Oscar Higgins, Hy Bonthan, M J Norris, H J Sage, J F Flynn, Amelia Burns, J Nibbs, Mrs Nisle, A Dillastar, R K Jones, W M McCormick, W L Witherell, W H Keary, J E Phillips, R H Baker, R W Stiles, A McDorvis, W McColl, G D Johnstone, R Macfarlane, Mr and Mrs H Drinkwater, Miss S Drinkwater, John Allison, W Williscroft, W Noble, W A McVey, J Henderson, Capt Roberts, F Landsberg, F C McGregor, H Rolfsad, Two Sisters of St Ann, Miss J Wilson, Miss Dempsey, Miss L Dempsey, H L Snowdon, T C Gray, J J Hawks, O Fortier, Mrs Fortier, L Cates, J A MacLachlan, E Taylor, H Jeffree, S Reid, F V Stokes, R Marshall, W Maloney, Dr Clarke, P Hickey, Mrs Byrd, Miss Boyd, Masters A and C Boyd, W Boyds, R F McLellan, Sing Kee, W Edmonds, E Neal, Capt Gaudin, J B Henderson, J Burrows, J Jones, W R Barnfather.

Per steamer Olympian from Puget Sound—E Schuler, Miss Sutara, A Bernard, C H Wilson, A J Rudge, J H Kimball, Miss Probert, A Bertrand, E Jones, E Haven and wife, Mrs Fletcher, W S Lee, R Westwater, V A LePrince and wife, E Medlyn, A O Churchill, L Hurdber, L A Kinney, Jno Wilney, D Davis, L Webb, J W Scholtz, C Schultz, J Elwood, H Lebers, H L O'Brien and wife, T H McLain, A Hamilton, T Smith, M J Haney, J Williams, H B Brown, D J Levy, J S Proctor, R Lewis, C A Johnson, J Williams and wife.

DIED.

TOD—At her residence on Cadboro Bay Road, on the 11th inst., Mrs. Alex. Tod, aged 57 years.

The funeral will take place on Thursday, 14th inst., at 2 p. m., from the residence.

CITY AND PROVINCE.

—A flouring mill will be erected in Vancouver in a short time.

—The regular meeting of the City Council will be held this evening.

—"O" Battery band returned from Nanaimo on this afternoon's train.

—Ye Olde Folkes will hold a concert in ye Temperance Hall on ye 19th inst.

—A flouring mill at Vancouver is spoken of. Eastern men are looking into the question.

—Prof. Oliver will give a Valentine Social at the Dancing Academy to-morrow evening.

—Schooner Black Diamond left this morning for Clayoquot. Mr. A. Frank was a passenger.

—Two tons of Nicola ore have been shipped by Mr. William Wilson to San Francisco for test.

—The Battery band and members of "O" Battery cleared $100 over expenses at Nanaimo.

—Extensive preparations are being made for the Knights of Pythias ball on Tuesday evening next.

—The schooner Wanderer will leave next week for a sealing cruise. The Penelope will leave at the end of the week.

—H. Redgrave is not an applicant for the position of sanitary officer. He returns to his position at Alert Bay on the next steamer.

—The residents of Victoria West will meet to-night to discuss the propriety of forming themselves into an independent municipality.

—The steamer Isabel grounded in False Rapids on Tuesday afternoon. It was expected that the steamer would float off at flood tide.

—To-morrow will be St. Valentine's Day. The young men will send valentines to their best girls. Our devil has purchased a number of his photos to send out to scare the Salvation Army lassies.

—Sir Donald Smith says the headquarters of the H. B. Company would not be changed to Montreal at present. Canadian affairs, he added, are looking well in England and he is sure we will have a good class of immigrants next year.

—A debate will take place this evening in the rooms of St. Andrew's Young People's Association. The Chinese question will be discussed. Mr. Kaye will speak in favor of the celestial and Mr. Simpson will dilate on their numerous failings and shortcomings.

—The Church of England Temperance Society held an entertainment in the Cathedral schoolroom on Monday evening. An interesting and instructive lecture was delivered by Mr. C. W. Busk and a splendid programme of vocal and instrumental music was carried out.

—Says the Nanaimo *Free Press*: "THE VICTORIA DAILY TIMES, to meet the steadily increasing demands on its space comes to us to-day enlarged to an eight-column paper and brim full of news. THE TIMES continues to grow in popularity and we are pleased to see this mark of prosperity."

—L. A. Hamilton, C. P. R. land commissioner, says the C. P. R. next season will undertake an extensive scheme to bring out and locate immigrants on the company's lands. The company has ten agents at work in Europe, and all report the prospect of an influx next spring very favorable. In addition to European immigrants two shiploads of Icelanders are expected.

—A deputation of Saanich farmers will wait on the Provincial Government at noon to-morrow to present a number of grievances. It is not improbable that the deputation will represent that the district is inadequately represented in the legislature. Mr. Anderson is looked upon as a respectable visionary, whose thoughts are in the clouds, while Mr. Tolmie is "one of the boys" and has no thoughts worth speaking about. The deputation should ask for increased representation, so that out of three members one good man might accidentally be chosen.

PERSONAL.

Items Telling of the Movements of Well Known Persons.

Hon Justice Gray is in Nanaimo.

Rev. E. D. McLaren, accompanied by Mrs. McLaren, arrived in Vancouver on Monday. The new pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, Vancouver, will be inducted this evening in the terminal city.

J. H. Innes, of Esquimalt, is at present in Montreal.

P. C. McGregor, an old and well-known resident of Winnipeg, and recently of Carleton Place, Ont., arrived in the city last night, and will leave for San Francisco Saturday.

Herman Kobold and W. Ross, of Winnipeg, are in the city.

M. J. Davies, representative of Joseph Uhlfelder, New York, returned to Victoria on Saturday last.

H P Bell, who has been connected with the New Westminster and Cassiar Buffalo way for some time, and who was said to have done well as contractor on the Island Railway, leaves for Liverpool in a day or two. Thence he will proceed to South America where he will undertake engineering works of great magnitude.

Robert Ward will return from California by the steamer leaving San Francisco on Friday. Mr Ward has been greatly benefitted in health by the southern climate and writes his friends that he has gained eight pounds in weight since he went down.

Dr Clarke, of Kamloops, is attending the Odd Fellows' Grand Lodge meeting.

W McColl, of New Westminster, is in the city. He is a prominent Odd Fellow and represented this jurisdiction at the Sovereign Grand Lodge meeting held last summer at Los Angeles.

B W Shiles, of New Westminster, is in the city.

W H Keary, accountant at the B C penitentiary, arrived in this city last evening and is staying at the Driard.

H L O'Brien and wife returned last evening from Southern California. Mrs O'Brien is much improved in health.

PROVINCIAL COURT.

(Before Edwin Johnson, Esq., S. M.)

Lawrence Mooney was charged by Officer Lewis with being in possession of a bottle of gin on an Indian reservation. Sentenced to imprisonment for two months.

Charley a Cowichan Indian, charged with the same offence, was fined $50, or in default two months imprisonment.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

Diphtheria at Nanaimo.

Lottie, daughter of R. J. and Mrs. Smith, aged 9 years, died at Nanaimo on Tuesday evening. The cause of death was diphtheria. This is the second death in the family in a short time.

The First Snow.

The first fall of snow occurred this afternoon. Up to the present time the weather has been mild and balmy, with very little rain and no frost. Only enough snow came down to whiten the ground.

Tourists.

Whether on pleasure bent or business, should take on every trip a bottle of Syrup of Figs, as it acts most pleasantly and effectually on the kidneys, liver and bowels, preventing fevers, headaches and other forms of sickness. For sale in bottles by all leading druggists.

Valuable Watch Stolen.

About 9 o'clock last night a number of footpads attacked Mr. John Croft and Sir William Host, at the corner of Yates and Douglas streets, near Henry Jewell's store. They succeeded in stealing a gold watch from Mr. Croft, which was valued at $500. The police were notified and arrested a man named Murphy who has been recognized as one of the assailants.

Nine Hour Movement

For some time past a petition has been in circulation, for signature, amongst the painters of this city, asking for a reduction of the hours of labor. The petition was presented to the employers a few days ago, and we are pleased to announce that on and after April 1st nine hours will constitute a day's work. The painters of this city, employers and employed, are to be congratulated on the concession made, which will no doubt be followed by the plumbers and others.

Change of Ownership.

The Ames Holden Company has assumed control of the boot and shoe manufacturing business carried on for many years by Mr. Wm. Heathorn. The purchase of the business was announced several weeks ago, and the final transfer has now been made. Mr. Heathorn will confine his attention for the present to his tanning business, which is a large and lucrative one. The Ames Holden Co. will increase the manufacturing facilities of the establishment at once. The firm is one of the largest in the line in the east and thoroughly understand the trade in all its details.

Improvements.

The addition of another storey to the Commercial Hotel, Douglas street, is contemplated.

A number of workmen, under James Baker, are at work excavating a large cellar for Messrs. Rowbotham & Co. at the corner of Douglas and Pandora streets.

Ald. Styles has completed a fine brick residence on Amelia street.

The store in Moody's building, corner of Broad and Yates streets, will be occupied by Arthur Holmes. Workmen are engaged in fitting up the premises.

Workmen are refitting the premises in the Odd Fellows' Building which will be occupied by Mr. Henry Waller.

Conversazione.

Another of these pleasant social events was held in the school room of the Reformed Episcopal Church last evening. The programme carried out during the evening was as follows: Piano solo, Miss Barbara Wilson; vocal duet, Miss Mowat and Mrs. D. R. Harris; reading, Dr. McNaughton Jones; vocal solo, Mr. Goffin; vocal solo, Mrs. D. R. Harris; piano solo, Miss Young; vocal solo, Mrs. Jones; quartette, Mrs. Higgins, Miss Mowat, Miss Jones, and Miss Higgins. Miss Macdonald, Miss Hemicken and Miss Mowat played the accompaniments during the evening, adding materially to the success of the entertainment. Another conversazione will be held before the end of the month.

Merry Wedding Bells.

The marriage of Mr. John R. Collister and Miss Lizzie Cessford was celebrated last evening at the residence of Mr. R. Cessford, Henry street. Mr. James Cessford, brother of the bride, supported the groom, while Miss Collister, attended the bride. The marriage ceremony was performed by Rev. J. E. Starr in the presence of the relative of the high contracting parties and a number of invited guests. At the conclusion of the ceremony the guests partook of a repast and spent a most pleasant evening. The wedding presents were numerous and costly. Mr. and Mrs. Collister's many friends wish them long life of unalloyed happiness in which THE TIMES joins.

O'Lachlan Suicides

On Monday afternoon we informed our readers of the suicide of the night watchman of the steamer Premier. The man O'Lachlan, jumped overboard at the Sandheads and was not missed until the steamer was near Vancouver. A hurried though thorough investigation confirmed the fear of his loss, and a letter addressed in his handwriting to J. C. Brown, room 2, McDermott Block, Bay City, Michigan, was found in his cabin. The pass key he carried and which admitted him to the different apartments was also found at the stern of the vessel. Everything points to premeditation in the act. Capt. O'Brien first thought of turning around and searching for the body, but it was getting dark and the exact spot was not known, so that the idea was given up. O'Lachlan had dressed himself up in his best clothes before dropping into the cold waters. When not drinking he was known as a quiet, inoffensive respectable man.

Vancouver's New Y. M. C. A. Building.

President Van Horne, of the C. P. R., having offered the Y. M. C. Association at Vancouver, lots valued at $7,000 for $3,325 if they would proceed to build on them, the association has undertaken the erection of a $25,000 building, not including interior fittings and furniture which it is estimated will cost $10,000. The exterior dimensions are 46 feet front, 120 feet in depth and 60 feet high with a tower and flag-pole 30 feet above all. The basement will be stone, ten feet of which will be below the Hastings street side walk and level with the alley at the rear, it being divided as follows: 40x40 feet for a store basement; 30x40 feet for plunge baths, dressing room, shower bath, boiler room and stair case to gymnasium and gymnasium instructor's office; and 40x50 feet for floor of gymnasium 29 feet high and extending the full height of the second story. The auditorium will seat 500 persons. Every portion of the building will be fitted up in the most modern and complete manner, and the building will be one of the finest in the terminal city in appearance.

Presbyterianism at Westminster.

The new St. Andrew's church edifice, which is now finally completed and opened, is situated on the corner of Blackwood and Carnarvon streets, New Westminster. It is a handsome brick structure, the corner-stone of which was laid in 1888, and will cost, complete, including all furnishings and appurtenances, about $14,000. The ground floor will seat 500 and the end gallery 100. Its interior dimensions are 100x50 feet, 30 foot ceiling, and is ornamented with an imposing spire about 90 feet from its base. It will be heated with hot air furnaces, and throughout is neatly and artistically painted. Ackerman Bros. were the contractors. The old church, which is now substituted by the new one, is a frame, with a seating capacity of 300, was opened 26 years ago. Rev. Robert Jamieson, not now in active service, who established the cause in Westminster, and was pastor about 23 years, officiated at the opening. He was succeeded by Rev. C. S. McKay, who died in 1866. The present pastor, Rev. T. Scouler, was inducted in 1887. There is a present membership of about 184, and a congregation of about 400. A comfortable frame manse was erected in 1886 at a cost of $2500. In connection with the church there is ample and very valuable property.

PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE.

Conclusion of Yesterday's and To-Day's Proceedings.

Tuesday, Feb. 12.

CONTINUATION OF DEBATE ON SUMMARY PROCEEDINGS BILL.

The Hon. Attorney-General pointed that many of the conditions of this bill were now law.

Hon. Mr. Beaven said there was a good deal more in what the member for Comox had raised than at first appear. The fact was that although these provisions may have been law within the empire they are not enforced. In such a case as this, said the speaker, we must consider our bench of magistrates, we must consider the capabilities of our justices of the peace, their means of acquiring knowledge, and whether we can, in all cases, put such extraordinary powers as these into their hands. We have also to consider the great distances in this province and on that account might not always be able to attend. He proposed that the committee rise and report progress.

Mr. Orr pointed out that the schedule read that blank terms of imprisonment could be imposed.

Mr. Bole believed that the object of the attorney-general was to make this law as perfect as possible. He (Mr. B.) was in favor of a modified section in respect to contempt of court. He did not think a witness, who from a selfish and perverse spirit, refused to give evidence should complain if he was treated as a criminal.

Hon. Mr. Dunsmuir—This law is in force in the east and we are surely as intelligent as they are.

Mr. T. Davie thought we might strike out these clauses in respect to contempt of court (hear, hear, and laughter from the opposition benches).

Mr. Grant said it was no argument to say our laws were the same as those in force in other parts of Canada or the United States. The object in the assembly convening was for the improving of the laws, and if our ideas were changing in respect to the liberty of the subject we had a right to make the statutes conform to our ideas.

Hon. Mr. Humphreys—Such powers as these should not be placed in the hands of men grossly ignorant and illiterate in a legal sense, men who never opened a law book till they were made justices of the peace.

On motion of the Attorney-General, committee rose and reported progress and asked leave to sit again on Tuesday next.

PETITIONS.

Hon. Mr. Dunsmuir presented a petition from the residents of Nanaimo.

Hon. Mr. Beaven presented a petition from the Synod of the diocese of Vancouver Island.

Mr. Bole presented a petition in respect to the New Westminster Southern Railway.

ADJOURNMENT.

Hon. Mr. Robson said there was not much business to do and if agreeable to honorable members he would suggest that the House be adjourned till Monday next.

Mr. Higgins asked when private members' day came around at the end of last session he said the government did not treat private members of this House with proper courtesy and if the government persisted in adjourning till next week he was afraid he would be compelled to repeat what he had already said.

Hon. Mr. Dunsmuir—As a member of the government I may say we would like to give the member for Esquimalt all the rest of the week to bring in his bills if there was any to go on with.

Hon. Mr. Robson—I do not think the charge against the government by the honorable member for Esquimalt is deserved. I am sure the government has always extended the greatest courtesy to the honorable member for Esquimalt, and I hope, ah-ah, it will continue to do so. I move this House stand adjourned till 2 o'clock to-morrow.

Mr. Semlin—There are honorable gentlemen here from the upper country at a great sacrifice. If there is nothing for them to do why were they brought here?

Hon. Mr. Robson—I have moved that we adjourn till to-morrow.

Mr. Semlin—Very well. I just wished to remind you.

House adjourned till 2 o'clock on Wednesday.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

Hon. Mr. Davie—To introduce a bill entitled, "an act respecting the qualification and registration of voters."

Mr. Beaven—To introduce a bill entitled, "an act to repeal sections 10 and 11 of the Magistrates' Act, 57 Vic., chap. 78, vol. 1, Consolidated Statutes, 1888."

Eighth Day.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 13.

Mr. Speaker took the chair at 2 p. m.

Prayers by the Right Rev. Bishop Cridge.

PETITIONS.

A petition of the residents of Victoria city was presented by Mr. Grant in respect to the establishment of a monthly mail service between Victoria and Queen Charlotte Sound.

A petition praying that for the purpose of commerce the Island of Texada be declared within the registration district of Nanaimo.

Mr. Orr—I would like to ask if Texada is not in New Westminster District?

Hon. Mr. Vernon—It is in New Westminster District.

Mr. Baker presented a petition from Mr. Cook and others in respect to a railway in Kootenay District.

READ A FIRST TIME.

Mr. Bole introduced a bill to amend the "Bush Fire Act." Second reading to-morrow.

Hon. Attorney-General introduced a bill entitled, "An Act to amend the County Courts Act."

Mr. Anderson introduced a bill entitled "An Act for the preservation of the Public Roads."

LEECH RIVER ROAD.

Hon. Mr. Humphreys moved, seconded by Mr. Grant, for the return of expenditure on the Leech River road since the 1st July, 1888. Resolution, passed.

VICTORIA JAIL.

Mr. Higgins asked the Attorney-General: Have any of the recommendations of the select committee appointed to inquire into the condition of the Victoria Gaol, during the last session, been carried out, and, if so, which?

The Attorney-General replied that the recommendations of the committee had not been adopted by the House but in answer submitted a letter from Capt. Roycraft, which claimed that the fare of prisoners was more like that of a boarding house than a house of correction.

Hon. Mr. Robson thought it would be unwise to establish the precedent of the House taking any notice of a report which had not been adopted by it.

Mr. Higgins—This is the first intimation which I have had that the report has not been adopted. He explained that the committee had found that prisoners awaiting their trials were kept locked up 15 and 20 hours daily. Notwithstanding that a man is presumed to be innocent till found guilty, the prisoners at the jail although untried were treated as ordinary criminals. The fare was of the most meagre description; the soup was the thinest he had ever seen.

Mr. Bole called attention to the fact that there was nothing before the House.

PRIVILEGE.

Hon. Mr. Vernon said if the honorable leader of the opposition thought he was going to force information out of the government every day by asking the same question he was greatly mistaken.

Hon. Mr. Beaven—From my own experience in the office I may state that an ordinary boy, even though he were very slow, could prepare the information in a few minutes.

Mr. Higgins introduced a bill entitled the "Election Regulation Act." He explained that the principal feature of the bill was the provision that votes should be counted in the polling division in which they were cast and without collecting them together as formerly. The machinery required in counting votes was explained. Last year some honorable gentlemen were opposed to the bill till they had had an opportunity of consulting their division. Mr. Martin the third member for Yale, objected to it on the ground of small populations existing in some localities.

Mr. Martin—Will do so again.

Mr. Higgins—Since last session meetings held in New Westminster district have declared in favor of the clause. In Dominion elections this system was followed and for reasons of safety which it was unnecessary for him to enlarge upon. It would be a great pity to expose the ballot boxes to danger, because there was a danger one way and another, both from accident and weakness of mankind. Men unfortunately were weak. He hoped honorable members would see the necessity of passing the bill, for it was a necessity that the antiquated form should be dispensed with.

Hon. Attorney General spoke of the bill as it would apply to Lillooet district, and opposed it on the ground that where very few votes were cast the voters would be in the same position as in open voting. He did not think the bill would work well.

Mr. Orr said that in New Westminster people were unanimously of the opinion that the system of counting the votes should be changed. The provisions of the bill would sufficiently protect the public from any interference with the ballot papers. So far as those benighted districts which desire to adhere to the old system was concerned, he should say let it be retained by them, but let those who wished a better way of doing things have it.

Mr. Martin repudiated the statement that he represented a benighted district and would oppose the bill.

Mr. Mason had opposed the bill last year, but as his constituents were unanimous in favor of it he proposed to support it.

Mr. Croft had learned from his constituents that they did not consider this bill necessary and he would oppose it.

Hon. Mr. Vernon was in favor of the bill.

Mr. Bole—The true principle of political economy is the greatest good to the greatest number. I therefore take issue with the third member for Yale, in that the general progress of the country should be retarded for the sake of a very few voters. In organization for the purpose of government it sometimes became necessary for men to surrender a portion of their individual rights. He thought, therefore, these few voters would be willing to surrender any little convenience of their own for the common good. He was glad to see the Chief Commissioner took so liberal a view of this question. If he would treat all questions in a similar way he (Mr. Bole) believed we could find in the limit of his political conscience to support him.

The bill was finally read, after a division 15 for to 6 against.

ITEMS OF THE ESTIMATES.

What it is Going to Cost to Run the Country this Year.

The estimates of expenditure in the various branches of the public service throughout the Dominion are as follows:

Public debt (including sinking fund, $11,923,445)	
Charges of management	194,256
Civil government	1,316,611
Administration of Justice	698,130
Police	19,000
Penitentiaries	352,859
Legislation	718,940
Arts, agriculture and statistics	123,970
Immigration	99,125
Quarantine	66,664
Pensions and superannuations	228,250
Militia	1,296,800
Railways and canals (income)	227,037
Public works (income)	1,467,618
Mail subsidies and steamship subventions	224,573
Ocean and river service	213,500
Lighthouse and coast service	326,360
Scientific institutions	63,250
Marine hospitals and sick and distressed seamen	51,000
Steamboat inspection	33,000
Fisheries	281,500
Superintendency of insurance	9,000
Subsidies to provinces	4,160,000
Geological survey	40,000
Indians	1,074,790
Northwest Mounted Police	724,420
Miscellaneous	337,446
Customs	871,700
Excise	873,351
Culling timber	37,000
Weights, measures and gas	38,250
Inspection of staples	2,000
Adulteration of food	25,000
Miner revenues	4,000
Railways and canals	4,027,341
Public works	195,075
Post office	2,950,710
Dominion lands	185,744
Total expenditure on consolidated revenue	35,410,280

On the capital account there are the following charges: Debt redemption, $2,417,267; railway and canals, $6,801,340; public works, $407,000; Dominion lands, $100,000, making a total expenditure of $44,635,887, a decrease of $873,246 over last year's figures.

POLICE COURT.

(Before Hon. A. N. Richards, Q.C.)

The messenger of the Savings Bank was charged with allowing the chimney in the building to take fire.

His Honor said the building was in the centre of the city and it was the duty of the government to keep the chimneys clean.

B. Van Volkenburgh said the chimney was on fire at 7 o'clock yesterday morning. Raw flames and sparks coming from it. Called the fire department.

H. Mansell said he saw a chimney on fire in the post office building. There was no doubt that the chimney was on fire, and at one time witness thought the building was on fire.

Chief Engineer Deasy said he was called by telephone at 7:15; did not call out the department. The chimney is in the Savings Bank building.

John Smith said he was caretaker of the building; the flues were not cleaned for ten years; they were blown out by keeping the blower on the fire.

The defendant was fined $5.

John Forbes was charged with breaking the door of the London saloon.

W. J. Phillips said he was called up this morning by two police officers, and told that his door had been smashed in. The damage done will amount to $7; prisoner said he did not break the window; defendant said he would pay for it.

His Honor imposed a fine of $1 with $9 costs, or one month in gaol.

Christopher Clushman was charged with assaulting Charles McCorlick, and a cross charge was laid against McCorlick by Clushman.

Clushman was fined $20. The charge against McCorlick was dismissed.

Knights of Pythias.

Members of Far West Lodge No. 1, are making preparations for their annual ball which will be held in Assembly Hall, Fort street, next Tuesday evening. Music will be furnished by Prof. Baernstein's orchestra. The culinary department will be in charge of L. Marbouef of the Poodle Dog Restaurant.

Glad to See It.

The management of the Victoria TIMES has enlarged that paper to eight columns. Always bright, newsy and fearless, THE TIMES in its enlarged form will be found better than ever. We are pleased to note this evidence of our contemporary's prosperity, and trust that its enterprise will be rewarded by the encouragement and support which it so well deserves.—*Nanaimo Courier.*

Whiskey Galore.

From the trade and navigation returns we find that for the year closing in June last this province imported and manufactured the following quantities of ales, wines and liquors. The figures give the number of gallons:

Wines	24,459	Old Tom	1,321
Spirits	17,209	Gin	17,714
Whiskey	13,862	Brandy	16,021
Rum	6,158	Absithe	84
Ale and Beer	84,025	Malt Liquor (casks)	89,018
			268,871

A large quantity of rye whiskey and other liquors, imported from eastern Canada, are not included in the above. By adding the duty and freight to the cost of the above, it will be seen that our province continues to consume an enormous quantity of intoxicating beverages. Where does it all go to?

Real Estate.

Mr. Dean has purchased 38 acres at Gordon Head, and will have some buildings erected immediately.

FOR FINE SUITINGS,
Artistic Cutting
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BEFORE BUILDING, CALL ON
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Drawings for Patent Office.
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NATIONAL
Electric Tramway & Lighting Co., Ld.
A GENERAL MEETING OF SUBSCRIBERS to the stock will be held at Harmony Hall, View street, on Friday evening, 15th inst., at 8 o'clock, for the transaction of important business.
M. H. COWAN, Secretary.
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Provincial Royal Jubilee Hospital
A General Committee Meeting will be held at the Board of Trade rooms, Bank of British Columbia Building, on FRIDAY Morning next, the 15th inst., at 11 o'clock. A full attendance is requested.
Business: Deputation from the City Council, and communication from the Government.
WILLIAM M. CHUDLEY, Hon. Secretary.
Victoria, B. C., Feb. 12th, 1889.
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For Fort Simpson, Skeena River and all Way Ports.
CARRYING HER MAJESTY'S MAILS.
THE STEAMER

Barbara Boscowitz,
Will sail from Spratt's Wharf
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21st,
AT 4:30 O'CLOCK P. M.
For Fort Simpson and all way ports.
For freight or passage, apply on board.

OLD FOLKS CONCERT!
The Union Committee of Temperance Hall will give
A Concert
—ON—
Tuesday Evening, Feb. 20th.
Proceeds to be devoted to the liquidating of the debt upon the hall. Programme will be under the direction of Mr. J. O. Brown.
Admission 50 cents. Reductions to Families. fe13-td

Willow Grove Pet Stock Yards,
149 View Street.
EGGS FROM LIGHT BRAHMAS, SILVER Laced Wyandottes, Plymouth Rocks, White Polish and Silkie Bantams, Alns, Pigeons of the following varieties: Carriers, Homing, Antwerps, Dragoons, Rollers, Owls, Performing Tumblers, High Flyers, and Lop-Eared Rabbits. Twenty-eight prizes at the Agricultural and Dog and Poultry Shows, my Brahmas beating the Oregon birds. Eggs $3.00 per sitting; 2 sittings $5.00.
fe13-1m RD. MERRITT.

National Electric Tramway and Lighting Co., Limited.
NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS.
THE FRANCHISE GRANTED THE PROMOTERS by the City of Victoria having been assigned in trust to Hon. J. H. Turner, for the security of subscribers to the Stock, there will be a meeting of subscribers at the Company's office (Room 5 Bank of British Columbia Building), on Saturday evening next, February 9th, at 7:30 o'clock, for the purpose of receiving the charter from the Trustees, hearing the report of the promoters, and taking steps to organize the Company. Twenty per cent of the subscribed capital is due and payable at the office of the Company, as above, between the hours of 10 and 4 each day.
THOS. W. PATERSON, Hon. Secretary.

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Range Setting, Grate Setting, Mantl, Setting, Boiler and Kettle Setting.
Everything done in connection with this branch of work. Leave your orders at 117 Government St.
J. W. WILLIAMS,
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Estate of Heinrich Bohrer, Deceased
ALL PERSONS INDEBTED TO THE ABOVE estate are requested to pay the amounts due forthwith and all persons having any claims against the estate are requested to forward the same duly proved to
JAMES C. PREVOST, Administrator.
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VICTORIA WEST.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A MEETING of the residents of Victoria West, will be held at the School House, on Wednesday, the 13th inst., at 7:30 p. m., for the purpose of forming a municipality.
Victoria West, February 9th. fe9-td

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FUNERAL DIRECTOR AND EMBALMER,
—GOVERNMENT STREET.

FOR SALE.
A DESIRABLE FAMILY RESIDENCE 10 rooms, 120 feet frontage on Yates Street above Cook Street. For particulars apply to BROWN & WHITE, Government St. fe11 tf

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SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO FRAIL and diseased teeth. Gas and Ether administered for the painless extraction of teeth.
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Pickles in Bulk.
Olives in Bulk.
Figs Fort Spiced, in Bulk.
Fishes, Haddies.
Labrador Herring.
Mackerel, No. 1, Bloaters.
Russell's Butter in Bulk, Very fine.
Fresh from the Buttercups & Daisies.
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A large stock of ATKINS & COMPANY'S celebrated
Indianapolis Saws and Saw Tools
Now on hand, consisting in part of
6½ and 7 Feet Occident.
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At the Puget Sound Mills these Saws are recognized as being the very best in use, and the demand for them is increasing.

AT COST!
MEN'S, YOUTHS & BOYS' OVERCOATS!
All to be Cleared out
AT COST PRICE FOR CASH
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Most desirable Residence Lots, situate on Craigflower Road, commanding a full view of Victoria Arm. Full supply of water from the Esquimalt Water Works. Terms—One-fourth cash, balance on time. Apply at once to.
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The undersigned offers for sale, on exceptionally easy terms,
Twenty-Six Choice Building Lots,
All cleared, and commanding an extensive view of the Sea and Olympian Mountains.
These Lots give to the purchaser the advantage of the Public Park close to his home; and, with the City water now available, this portion of the City offers the most attractive and healthful building sites of any in the market.
For maps and particulars apply to
The B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Ld.,
Or to H. E. CROASDAILE,
fe7 1m Real Estate Agent.

JUST ARRIVED.
STILL ANOTHER BARREL OF OYSTERS Just arrived from Montreal, fresh in bulk, only 75 cents a quart, eastern prices. Dished up raw on the premises, at 25 cents a plate. Open till 12 o'clock. O. W. Bigger kept an oyster depot for years in Winnipeg and understands the business. Dont forget the place, 80 Government street, three doors from Post Office, Pacific Candy Factory. ja14

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FIFTH ANNUAL
BOOT & SHOE SALE
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20 PER CENT. BELOW COST!
$9,000 regular stock, and $1,200 worth of sample Boots and Shoes.
PRICE LIST:
Ladies' very fine French Kid Button Gaiter for $2.55 pair.
Ladies' very fine Calf Button Gaiter for $2.20 pair.
Ladies' very fine Goat Pebble Button Gaiter for $1.70 pr.
Men's fine Calf Bals, hand sewn, $2.50 pair.
Men's fine Calf Bals, per pair, $1.70.
Childrens' Shoes from 40c. pair.
4,000 pairs Slippers and Low Shoes from 50c. pair.
GIFT LIST:
One Grand American Organ, valued at $175.00.
Two Ladies' solid Silver Watches and Chains, valued at $25.00 each.
One Gents' crystal faced solid Silver Watch, value $25.
One pair glass Decanters, and fifteen other prizes, valued at from $5 each and upwards.
Purchasers will receive a ticket in the drawing for every dollars worth of goods purchased.
Drawing takes place March 1st, 1889.

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40 doz. Ladies' Cashmere Hose 35c. pair.
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32 doz. Ladies' Merino Ribbed Hose 20c. pair.
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Children's Wool Hose at cost.
A Nice line of Men's Goods in dark colors, 15c.
A nice line of Costume Cloths dark colors, 20c.
10 pieces Ladies Cloth, nice shades, 25c.
Check Ginghams 6c., 10c., 12½c., 14c.
1 yard wide Grey Cotton 7½c. yard.
Heavy white Cottons, 8c., 10c., 12½c., 14c.
Gentlemen's white shirts, 50c., $1.00 and $1.25.
Gentlemen's Underwear at cost.
A nice line samples of Ladies' Jerseys, cheap.
A full line of Muslin Underwear open to-day.
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Which I have Marked at Wholesale Prices in Order to Clear this Month, as I must make room for a magnificent assortment of New Goods personally selected by Mr. C. Spencer for the coming Spring.
Remnants at Half Price! See the Windows!
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